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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing in respect of the Request for Information dated 27 September 2024.

Point 1 of that request seeks information from the Chilterns Conservation Board (CCB), along with Natural England and the Applicant (London Luton Airport Ltd) in relation to "what, if any, further enhancement measures they agree could be brought forward, should it be decided further measures are necessary to assure compliance with the amended duty."

The CCB's officers are keen to engage constructively with this matter (as, we understand, also are Natural England and the Applicant). In all good conscience, however, the matter in question is of a magnitude and complexity that cannot be expected to be resolved in satisfactory detail, and with appropriate sign-off from our Board, within the timescales set in the Request (i.e. by 13 October). For example, it has only been possible to arrange discussions between ourselves and Natural England (today, 8 October) and between ourselves and the Applicant (this Thursday 10 October). We are grateful to the Applicant for making the approach to us to arrange the latter meeting.

While we will work towards at least outlining options for an approach to resolving this matter, our consideration is that this is only likely to represent the starting point for a longer process.

An extension to the immediate deadline of 13 October may be beneficial in getting the process started with more clarity and with greater engagement between the relevant parties, including being able to secure internal sign-off for the terms of any agreement.

We would be grateful for any consideration or advice you could provide on the above.

Yours faithfully,

Matt Thomson

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